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SUBJECT: COMMISSIONER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IN U.S.

REF: LAGOS 1249

1. NIGERIAN EMBASSY NOTIFIED DEPARTMENT JANUARY 29 THAT COL. JOSEPH GARBA, NIGERIAN COMMISSIONER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, WAS ATTENDING UN DEBATE ON NAMIBIA, WOULD PLAN TO VISIT WASHINGTON THIS WEEK, AND WISHED TO CALL ON THE SECRETARY. TELEGRAM PREPARED TO INFORM YOU, BUT GARBA'S PLANS CHANGED ON FRIDAY, AND NO MESSAGE SENT.

2. AS OF MONDAY MORNING, GARBA SCHEDULED ARRIVE WASHINGTON LATE FEBRUARY 3, DEPART FEBRUARY 5 FOR LONDON. CONGRESSMAN ANDREW YOUNG IS GIVING LUNCHEON FOR HIM ON FEBRUARY 4. THE SECRETARY IS SPENDING FEBRUARY 2-4 ON WEST COAST AND IN WYOMING BUT HAS AGREED RECEIVE GARBA FEBRUARY 5 AT 2:30 P.M. WASHINGTON TIME. WE HAVE CONFIRMED WITH NIGERIAN EMBASSY
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THAT GARBA'S DEPARTURE CAN BE ARRANGED TO PERMIT MEETING

WITH THE SECRETARY AT THAT TIME.

3. DURING CALL ON SECRETARY, GARBA WILL BE ACCOMPANIED
BY OGUNSILERE, DIRECTOR AFRICA DEPARTMENT, AND ADENIJI,

DIRECTOR IO DEPARTMENT, MEA. AMBASSADOR SANU AND DCM OBE
ALSO EXPECTED TO ATTEND. WOULD WELCOME ANY SUGGESTIONS ON
SPECIFIC POINTS THAT SHOULD BE INCORPORATED IN SECRETARY'S
BRIEFING.

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